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**TITLE:** MICROPIPETTE AND DISPENSER

**1. Type of Application**

This is a request for filing a **CONTINUATION APPLICATION** under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No.:	09/429,140	Prior Art Unit:	1723
Filed:	October 28, 1999	Prior Examiner:	Joseph W. Drodge
Title:	MICROPIPETTE AND DISPENSER		
Inventors:	Toshikazu HIROTA, Nobuo TAKAHASHI and Yukihiisa TAKEUCHI		

**2. Papers Enclosed****A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:**

<u>22</u>	Page(s) of Specification
<u>3</u>	Page(s) of Claims
<u>1</u>	Page(s) of Abstract
<u>8</u>	Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-12)

**B. Other Papers Enclosed**

- ☒ A Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet
- ☒ A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the prior application
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ Form PTO-1449
- ☒ Change of Attorney's Address in Application

**3. The correspondence address for this application is:** Customer No. 025191

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**4. Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

- ☐ Applicants hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
- ☐ Applicants hereby request that the attached application **not be** published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

**5. Relate Back****A. 35 U.S.C. 119(e)**

- ☐ Priority of provisional application Serial No. filed , is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

**B. 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 and 365(c)**

- ☒ Priority of said prior application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
09/429,140	October 28, 1999	Parent

**C. 35 U.S.C. 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application**

- ☒ Priority of foreign application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 as follows:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	11-301627	October 22, 1999

- ☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application was filed in prior application Serial No. 09/429,140 on February 1, 2000.
- ☐ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.

**6. Assignment**

The prior application is assigned of record to NGK Insulators, Ltd. at Reel 010530, Frame(s) 0588 (recorded February 1, 2000).

**7. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:**

<b>Basic Filing fee</b> (37 CFR §1.16(a))				\$ 750.00
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
Total Claims	13 - 20 =	0	× \$ 18.00	\$ .00
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0	× \$ 84.00	\$ .00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ \$280.00	\$ .00
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$ 750.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$ .00
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE =</b>				\$ 750.00

**8. Payment of Fees and Authorization to Charge Additional Fees or Credit Overpayment**

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$750.00 is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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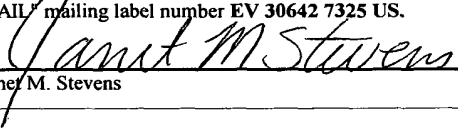
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**CHANGE OF CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS IN APPLICATION**

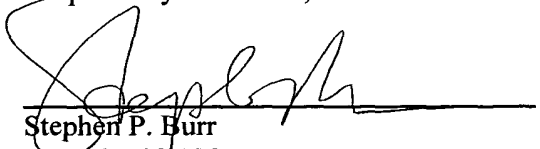
Sir:

Filed herewith is a continuation application of USSN 09/429,140, which includes a copy of the original Declaration from the '140 application. Applicants' undersigned representative's correspondence address has changed since the original '140 Declaration was executed. Accordingly, please address all correspondence in connection with this continuation application to Customer No. 025191.

Should the appropriate official at the U.S. PTO have any questions concerning this continuation application, he or she is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

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